

A¹ 3. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, characterized by roughening said edge (5) or central section (13) before application step b) to improve adhesion of the coating.

4. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, characterized by the application of a primer before application step b) to further improve adhesion of the coating.

5. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein said fast-curing polymer composition has a pot-life of about 5 to 30 seconds.

6. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein said polymer composition is based on a polymer selected from polyurethanes, styrene-butadiene polymers, polyolefins, nitrile rubbers, natural rubbers, polyacrylates, polychloroprene, thermoplastic elastomers, and polysiloxanes.

A² 9. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein said polymer is applied with a width of about 5 to 40 mm and a thickness of about 1 to 3 mm.

10. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein said polymeric coating after curing is subjected to a grinding operation to obtain a desired profile.

Please add the following new Claims 11 to 20 as follows:

A³ 12 11. (New) A process according to claim 2, characterized by roughening said edge (5) or central section (13) before application step b) to improve adhesion of the coating.

13 12. (New) A process according to claim 2, characterized by the application of a primer before application step b) to further improve adhesion of the coating.

14 13. (New) A process according to claim 3, characterized by the application of a primer before application step b) to further improve adhesion of the coating.

15 14. (New) A process according to claim 11, characterized by the application of a primer before application step b) to further improve adhesion of the coating.

16 15. (New) A process according to claim 2, wherein said fast-curing polymer composition has a pot-life of about 5 to 30 seconds.

17 16. (New) A process according to claim 3, wherein said fast-curing polymer composition has a pot-life of about 5 to 30 seconds.

1817. (New) A process according to claim 2, wherein said polymer composition is based on a polymer selected from polyurethanes, styrene-butadien polymers, polyolefins, nitrile rubbers, natural rubbers, polyacrylates, polychloroprene, thermoplastic elastomers, and polysiloxanes.

1818. (New) A process according to claim 3, wherein said polymer composition is based on a polymer selected from polyurethanes, styrene-butadien polymers, polyolefins, nitrile rubbers, natural rubbers, polyacrylates, polychloroprene, thermoplastic elastomers, and polysiloxanes.

1819. (New) A process according to claim 2, wherein said polymer is applied with a width of about 5 to 40 mm and a thickness of about 1 to 3 mm.

1820. (New) A process according to claim 2, wherein said polymeric coating after curing is subjected to a grinding operation to obtain a desired profile.

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